

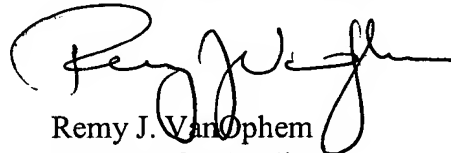
II. Remarks

Entry of the above amendment to the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Such amendment is deemed to place the application in condition for examination and examination is, therefore, respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions with respect to this amendment or any matter now of record, Applicant's attorney may be reached at (586) 739-7445

Respectfully submitted,

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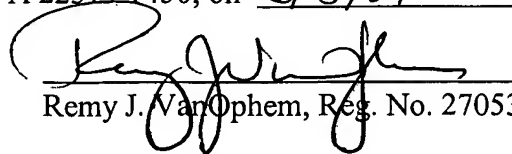


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